ARKANSAS

WEATHER AND CROP PROGRESS

October 12, 2004

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REPORTING FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 10 OF THE 2004 CROP YEAR

RELEASED: October 12, 2004, 3PM - The state averaged 5.3 days suitable for field work. Soil moisture supplies were 24% very short, 24% short, 40% adequate and 12% surplus. Dry conditions persisted through Thursday. Rains came Friday and remained through the weekend.

CROPS: Dry conditions early in the week gave producers time to complete corn harvest, and make major progress toward completing soybean, sorghum, rice, and cotton harvest. The week's late rains should give farmers an opportunity to speed up planting of winter wheat in the coming weeks.

LIVESTOCK: Livestock are in overall good condition. Pasture conditions have improved slightly thanks to the rains received over the weekend.

Progress %					Condition %				
CROP Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
CORN									
Harvested	100	99	100	99					
SOYBEANS					1	7	24	41	27
Yellowing	91	85	82	80					
Shedding	82	70	60	70					
Matured	70	56	48	n/a					
Harvested	55	43	32	33					
SORGHUM									
Harvested	95	92	97	97					
COTTON					0	1	16	43	40
Open Bolls	98	94	90	97					
Harvested	43	28	31	44					
RICE									
Harvested	90	85	91	91					
WHEAT									
Planted	7	5	18	11					
Emerged	1	0	6	3					
PASTURE & RANGE					14	29	38	15	4

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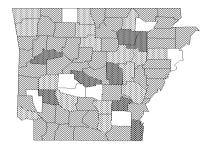
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SOIL MOISTURE SUPPLIES

WEATHER FOR THE WEEK ENDING:

October 10, 2004. Temperatures were mostly above normal. Rainfall at all reporting stations. Eudora recorded the high temperature of 91° and Gilbert recorded the low temperature of 34°. Precipitation ranged from a high of 8.16 inches at Eudora to 1.26 inches at Fayetteville.



NO DATA

✓ VERY SHORT

SHORT

ADEQUATE

SURPLUS

TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION WEEK ENDING: October 10, 2004

DISTRICT	TE	MPERATUR	ES	RAINFALL						
AND			DEP	WEEK	CURR		JAN	I-SEP		
STATION	HIGH	LOW	FROM	ENDING	OCT	OCT				
4.77	0.2	40	NORM	OCT 10	ACCUM.	NORMAL	2004	NORMAL		
1 Fayetteville	82	42	3	1.26	1.26	3.74	35.73	34.34		
Harrison	82	44	3	3.83	3.83	3.50	26.82	33.11		
2 Calico Rock	85	35	0	4.53	4.53	3.61	27.49	33.45		
Gilbert	84	34	-1	6.90	6.90	3.39	29.27	32.33		
Greers Ferry	85	44	0	4.94	4.94	4.21	34.71	36.25		
Mountain Home	84	44	1	4.94	4.94	3.14	33.16	32.84		
3 Batesville	85	40	0	4.09	4.09	4.00	34.96	34.03		
Jonesboro	87	48	2	1.38	1.38	3.89	34.13	33.02		
Keiser	87	43	-1	2.30	2.30	3.38	35.67	36.75		
Newport	89	45	-1	2.69	2.69	3.67	28.57	34.86		
4 Booneville	84	51	0	4.97	4.97	3.90	30.78	34.54		
Clarksville	83	49	2	5.73	5.73	4.13	38.50	33.41		
Dardanelle	85	48	2	5.52	5.52	4.19	27.53	34.74		
Ft. Smith	86	54	3	2.84	2.84	3.94	34.90	31.74		
Mena	81	53	2	5.19	5.19	5.68	34.56	41.81		
Ozark	80	53	1	5.06	5.06	3.91	37.93	32.33		
5 Conway	86	46	1	4.60	4.60	4.03	29.62	34.61		
Hot Springs	87	46	-1	5.91	5.91	5.21	37.54	40.99		
Little Rock	88	50	2	4.29	4.29	4.25	34.07	36.24		
N Little Rock	87	50	-2	4.58	4.58	3.81	32.08	35.11		
6 Brinkley	87	46	0	3.49	3.49	3.58	31.76	36.10		
Marianna	84	49	0	1.38	1.38	3.79	34.00	38.37		
Stuttgart	88	51	0	3.98	3.98	3.83	39.73	39.73		
7 Hope	85	54	1	3.91	3.91	4.54	36.42	39.00		
Texarkana	83	57	0	2.70	2.70	3.87	32.28	33.34		
8 Camden	86	51	1	5.80	5.80	4.42	43.51	38.32		
El Dorado	86	54	1	7.09	7.09	4.33	47.91	40.18		
Warren	86	53	1	6.37	6.37	4.53	50.26	40.39		
9 Eudora	91	60	3	8.16	8.16	3.93	42.07	41.56		
Pine Bluff	88	52	2	4.34	4.34	4.49	39.00	37.71		
Rohwer	87	51	2	7.25	7.25	3.38	37.41	37.61		